

# *State of South Carolina*

## *Proclamation*

### *by*

## *Governor Jim Hodges*

**WHEREAS,** Dance Marathon is the largest student-run philanthropy in the nation, providing an opportunity for college students to raise funds for charity; and

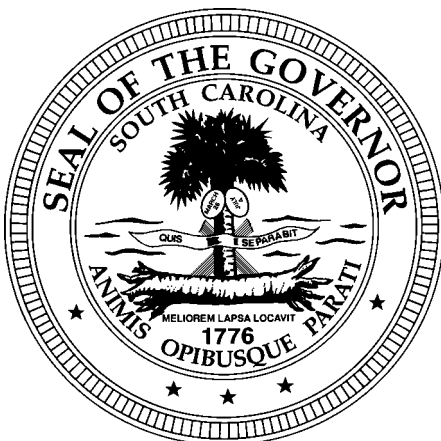
**WHEREAS,** funds raised by the annual Dance Marathon at the University of South Carolina directly benefit The Children's Hospital of Palmetto Health in Columbia, helping seriously ill children and their parents by providing medical services close to home; and

**WHEREAS,** hundreds of college students at the University of South Carolina will dance for 28 hours, beginning at 6:00 p.m. on February 22, 2002, and ending at 10:00 p.m. on February 23, 2002.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Jim Hodges, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim February 22 - 23, 2002, as

## **USC DANCE MARATHON WEEKEND**

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the efforts of the participants of the 2002 Dance Marathon to raise money to benefit seriously ill children and their families, contributing greatly to the continued health and well-being of the citizens of the Palmetto State.



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Hodges".

**Jim Hodges**  
**Governor**  
**State of South Carolina**